

Rivers Base: Image Collection

Part 6: People



1. Cadet Summer Camp



Some photos
from the Rob
Sproule
Collection...

2. Transport
Dept. 1968



3. Nav School Sign

PL-3709 – Entrance at No 1 Central Navigation School, Rivers, Manitoba (National Defence Image)



4. Navigators and instructors enter school – No 1 Air Navigation School, Rivers, Manitoba (4 June 1941) (National Defence Image)



5. Work parade of navigators at No 1 Air Navigation School, Rivers, Manitoba (4 June 1941) (National Defence Image)



6. Air Support Signals Troop 65



7, Base Staff

Staff can only guess that readers who may be able to identify the pictures printed here the last three weeks have been on holidays. For no one has contacted us to provide names or possible explanations for the photographs that have appeared in this feature since June 27; perhaps this one will be easier to remember. If you can

match even a few names to these faces, and can guess at an approximate year, we'd love to hear from you. Please e-mail info@riversbanner.com, fax 204-328-5212



8. Bert Foy Far Right



9. Cadets



10. Crews

11. Johnson



My father Richard S Johnson joined the Royal Canadian Air Force Reserves at CFB Abbotsford in 1955 and transferred to the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1957 as an Instrumental Electrician. He retired in 1987 after 30 years. In

Oct 1967 he was transferred from Germany to CFB Rivers where he received his CD medal in 1968. He is buried at Beechwood Cemetery in Ottawa. I have his CD with clasp. I followed in his footsteps and served in the military for 7 years and my son currently serves. My brother is an OPP Officer as well as his son my nephew. A lot of service in our family



12. Magnacca & DeGobeo



13. Officers



14. Officer's Mess



15. Para Course



16. Queen



17. Roger DeGobeo

16. The Queen





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18. Queen & Troops



19.
Ross
Abbott
65.



20 Prince Philip 20- 27
Prince Phillip

Photos from the Rob Sproule Collection
Many of them may be clicked for full-screen images

Prince Philip Royal Visit to CJATC Rivers
Autumn 1954



Base Commanding Officer [G/C J.A. Sproule, DFC](#) and [HRH Prince Philip](#)







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<https://hillmanweb.com/rivers/>

In this course photo (I'm not sure what year it's from)
my father, Cpl John R. Miller, is in the front row, 3rd from the left.
He was staff at the school but again, not sure for how long he was there.





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Front L to R• Sgt Pirt KMC, St Upton HM, Sot Coulter WG, Sot Clark ALD, Lsgt Mayes JG, Sqt Roison JK, Sgt Boutet JL, Sgt Poterson A, Sqt Cormier O, Sgt Skipper LF, Set Johnson OL, Asgt Hunfley EWH, Sot Banks CWD, Sgt Abbott RL, Sgt Welsh GE, Sgt Jorgenson N, Asgt Quick HG, Sot DAVIS CE,
 2nd Lto R• Sot Field HG, Set Kowoleki WS, Sgt Molter JF, Sgt M'Loft JP, Sgt Ring A, Sgt Field RD, Sgt Rourke KT, Sot Tordiff AN, Sgt Hole H, Sqt McDonnell MP,
 Sgt Chzyk W, Sgt Conkey FB, Sgt LeBlone Ev, Sqf. Watt JW, Sot Walthe Tu, Set Giesinger FX, Sqt Norman RLB, Sot Preston WJ, Set Comeron AO, Sgt Doley WJ. 3rd L to R• Set Lewis NJ, Sagt Homes RB, F\$ Ponkrotz HW, Ssgt Tibbey MG, WO2 Deguerre AG, WO2 Clark W, WO2 Reid GS, WOZ Thompson JF, RSM Fox GM,
 WO2 MacWilliams GR, WO2 Spiers CD, WO2 Dorion AC, WO2 MacDonald CW, F\$ Vine WH, FS Ouimer GR, FS Knipe WS, FS Asham CH, 4th L to R Ssgt Bloir JM, Ssgt Wells EW, Sagt Pryor RH, FS Solas CW, Ssgt Koyle 8F, FS Caldwell RW, Ssgt Jones OL, PO Schreuer JM, FS Potterson SD, Ssgt Chinn JR, FS Crebo Js, Ssgt Thorne J, FS Storey JW, Ssgt Cullen WA, FS Wolford GL, Sagt Betcher N, FS Oenboer HP, Sagt Beach WE, FS Botty FS.
 5th L to R• Sgt MocQueen AG, Sgt MacNeill WC, FS Soorie KA, Sot Sinclair DN, Sgt Kouri JM, Sgt Meck DM, Sgt Schofer EN, Legt Jackson TD, Sot Borkley LF,

Set Smith FG, Sgt MacDonold JD, Sgt Porker GA, Sgt Lovejoy RJ, Sot Knight
JE, Sgt Brown C. Sot Boudrias JC, Sot Gaudour JEG, Sgt Word A
6th LtoR Sot Campbell KM, Sot Hawryluk JG, Lsgt Perroult M, Sgt Metcolfe FM,
St Howord EB, Sgt Webb JC, Sot Showcross KS, Sot Hnatowich L, Sot Lester
EU, Set Dolson EU.



32. From the Bill Bainbridge Collection ~ Submitted by Darrell Broad

Back of Photo Text:
Course 86A - No. 1 Central Navigation School, Rivers, Manitoba, Canada -
1943
Self in back row on extreme right by wing



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34.



35 .J.A.T.C. Rivers Met Section Staff - December 1961

Gerry Coates, Harry Quinn, John Comeau, Marc Laforge, Hector Arsenault, Milt Pelley, Ted Johns.

Front row: Pat Dillistone, Ken O'Leary, Norm Taylor

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Instructors and Staff from Airborne School in Rivers ~ October 1955

From the Gerry Logan Collection

Back Row: Dryland, Chimko, Taylor, Gammon, Mennie, Jensen
Dingman, McIsaac, Brown, Quik, Allen, Villeneuve, Theriault, LaFrance, Rhodes,
Blondeau, Tasse, Lebouthillier

Marsden, Wishart, Dore, McLean, Confiant, Sherman, Godin, Woodall,
Massengale, Preston, Sarsdhal, Allaway, McGillivray
Thibodeau, Desroches, Beaulne, Debney, Swan, Lewinsky, Austin, Foster,
Riddel, Bisonette, Paquette, Vermaat, Schoular

Front Row: Carriere, Wasilewski, Dixon, Romanson, Henry, Pelletier, Bisonette,
Bricker, Robertson, Clark, Schofield, Cormier



37.

 **Allan Blackborow**
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This is a photo of my squad on Para course at Rivers Manitoba in 1964. Some of us had graduated from the RCR Depot in the same platoon and posted to 2RCR as a platoon. Cpl Bob Knight (third from left back row) was a member of our squad. He lost his life in the Ottawa River while on a training jump on May 8th, 1968. I am fourth from the left. RIP jumper.



38. Bernie Rice

